

LITERALLY SPEAKING...

The Newsletter of the York County Public Library

Weaving the Way: Creating Fiction from Family Memoirs and Stories

Join us for a creative writing workshop on Saturday, July 21, at the Yorktown Library from 2:00 - 4:00 PM. Workshop leader, Jill Winkowski, will demonstrate ways to use family and neighborhood stories when writing fiction. The first part of the workshop will talk about recording family stories, while the second part will discuss how and why writers often incorporate their personal history into their work.

To register for the workshop call the Library at 890-5120. Bring your family memorabilia (old letters, photos, documents, etc.), pencils, and paper.

TRADOC Jazz Combo Plays Second Saturdays at Seven Concert Series

The Second Saturdays at Seven Concert Series returns in August after a July hiatus. Join us as we welcome the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) Band's Jazz Combo on August 11 at 7:00 PM at the Tabb Library. The Jazz Combo brings the music of America's great songwriters and composers to life. Names like Duke Ellington, Charlie Parker, Thelonious Monk, and Johnny Mercer highlight the repertoire of this versatile group of musicians.

The Jazz Combo ensemble is part of the TRADOC Band headquartered at Ft. Monroe. Each member of the band has passed a highly selective audition and is among the finest musicians in the U.S. Army

band program. In addition to touring, the band serves as the primary ceremonial unit at Forts Monroe, Eustis, and Story.

Saturday at Seven performances are free of charge and open to the public. Call the Library at 890-5120 for more information.

Upcoming Second Saturdays at Seven Concerts

September 8
Sweet Adelines

October 13
Orion

November 10
Langley Winds
Woodwind Quintet

December 8
Peninsula Youth Orchestra

eAudiobooks are Coming Soon

eAudiobooks are coming to the York County Public Library (YCPL) in mid-July. Patrons will have anytime, anywhere access to hundreds of different titles via the library's website, www.yorkcounty.gov/library. Subject areas available include children's literature, mystery and suspense, romance, science fiction, business, self help, travel and leisure, young adult titles and many more.

"Audiobooks in the form of cassettes and CDs have been popular in libraries for many years," said Kevin Smith, Director of the YCPL. "The ability to download eAudiobooks from the web is being embraced by long time listeners as well as new listeners who want material for their portable media devices."

eAudiobooks can be downloaded and played on any desktop or portable computer that supports Windows Media Player version 9.0 and above. Once downloaded, eAudiobooks can be transferred to a wide range of portable devices that support playback of secure or protected wma files.

Visit the library's website for more information about the eAudiobook launch date and how to set up an account.

Learn a new Language at the Library

The world's #1 language-learning software, Rosetta Stone Online, is now available through your York County Public Library website. This fully interactive software allows library patrons to learn a new language at their own pace from anywhere with an Internet con-

nection. Nine languages are available: Spanish (Latin America), Spanish (Spain), Russian, Italian, Greek, German, French, English (US), and English (UK).

Library patrons can access Rosetta Stone Online through the Library's website,

www.yorkcounty.gov/library. First time users will need their library card number to create an account. Online User's Guides and curriculum texts, as well as tutorials, are available to assist patrons. For more information, contact the library at 890-5120.

Snakes Alive!

Over 275 patrons attended the *Snakes Alive* performance at the Tabb Library on June 26. Adults and children alike watched spellbound as Ron Cromer explained the habits and characteristics of his snakes and other reptiles during the live performance. Everyone enjoyed the hands-on portion of the program especially holding and petting Penelope, the 200 pound giant python.

Photo: Andrew Dynan shows the library's youngest patrons Herman, the Gray Rat Snake.



Slay the Dragon of Boredom this Summer - READ!

It's not too late to join the Adult Summer Reading Program, *Readers of the Round Table*, and slay the dragon of boredom! The program runs through July 28 and is open to patrons ages 18 and up. Patrons can sign-up online at the Library's website, www.yorkcounty.gov/library. There will be drawings for weekly prizes as well as three grand prizes awarded at the end of the program.



Readers of the Round Table Grand Prizes

One night stay for two at the Governor's Trace Bed & Breakfast in Colonial Williamsburg

Sunset Sail for two on the Schooner Alliance

Dinner for two at the La Yaca French Restaurant in Williamsburg



Movie Monday

10:30 AM, Tabb Meeting Room

Jul 2 *Eloise at the Plaza*
 Jul 9 *Pocahontas*
 Jul 16 *Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron*
 Jul 23 *Robin Hood*
 Jul 30 *Finding Nemo*

Make-It & Take-It Crafts

June 27 - August 1

Yorktown

Fridays, 11:00 AM - Noon

Tabb

Wednesdays, 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
 (except July 4)

Ages 6 - 12 years
 No Registration Required

Summer Story Times

June 27 - August 2

Yorktown

Wed 10:15 AM

Tabb

Wed 10:15 AM

Wed 11:15 AM

Thur 10:15 AM

No Registration Required
 No Story Time on Wed, July 4

Teen Monday Movie

6:30 PM, Tabb Meeting Room

Jul 16 *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*
 Jul 30 *Bridge to Terabithia*

Summer Reading Program

The 2007 Summer Reading Program, *Virginia Trails*, is in full swing with over 700 children participating. The program runs through August 3, and registration continues at the Tabb and Yorktown Libraries. Join us at Movie Mondays, Terrific Tuesday performances, Story Time, and Make-it and Take-it Craft classes. Visit our website at www.yorkcounty.gov/children or call 890-5110 for more information.

Terrific Tuesday Performers



July 3, 10:30 AM
 Get a Clue with
 Rob Wescott



July 17, 10:30 AM
 Lucky Bill
 Virginia's Singing
 Cowboy



July 24, 10:30 AM
 Judy Pancoast

July 10, 10:30 AM
 Red Hawk

July 31, 10:30 AM
 C. Shells

Teens get *Lost . . . in Time!*

It's not too late to join this year's Teen Summer Reading Program, *Lost . . . in Time*. The program is for rising 6th - 12th graders and runs through August 3. Participants will receive a prize each week they complete three tasks and are then eligible to enter a weekly prize drawing. A book is awarded to each teen who completes four weeks of the six-week program.

Several teen activities will be offered at the Tabb Library. Monday Movies will be shown on July 2, 16, and 30. Tuesdays will bring a variety of activities and performers to the Library. Check out the archeology puzzle with a Colonial Williamsburg archeologist on Tuesday, July 10, at 2:00 PM. Join us for a drumming session with Barbara Shaw of Zendiva on Tuesday, July 17, at 3:30 PM. (Drums will be provided.) Teen Crafts are on the schedule at 10:30 AM each Friday through July 27. Registration is not required. For a complete activity schedule, visit our website, www.yorkcounty.gov/children, or contact the Youth Services department at 890-5110.



New Nonfiction Children's Book Series

The York County Public Library recently added several nonfiction books to the children's collection. If your child enjoys reading about wild animals, dinosaurs, endangered species, and different cultures and countries of the world, then they would thoroughly enjoy these additions.

The *Enchantment of the World* collection is an introduction to the countries of the world for grades 5 - 9. Each book includes information about the country's history, government, economy, people, and culture. You'll enjoy the rich color photographs and interesting "fast facts" trivia, too.

The Heinemann *Gone Forever* series looks at a perennial favorite — dinosaurs. This series is an informative look at dinosaurs for 5-7 year-old readers. Each book covers the physical characteristics, behavior, and habitat of a dinosaur species and includes maps and a timeline.

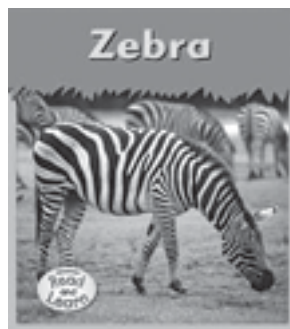
From ants to zebras, the Heinemann *Read and Learn* animal collections are fun to read. The *Zoo Animals* series contains 12 titles including *Alligator*, *Flamingo*, and *Zebra*. For ages 4-8, these books explore the animal's size, diet, and behavior in both the wild and captivity. Other animal collections include the *Under My Feet* series, *Musty-Crusty Animals*, and *Tiny-Spiny Animals*. Even those who are too young to read will enjoy the colorful photographs.

Where do you look at the library for these interesting books? At the Tabb Library the beginning nonfiction is in the Children's Department, while the juvenile nonfiction is shelved with the adult nonfiction books. At the Yorktown Library, both beginning and juvenile nonfiction are filed with the adult nonfiction. Our staff will be glad to assist you.



Did you know that plants and animals cannot live in the Dead Sea because it is 10 times saltier than ocean water? Check it out in *Jordan, Enchantment of the World, Second Series*, by Patricia K. Kummer. (Juv. Nonfiction, 956.95 Kum)

Did you know that most paleontologists think that velociraptor had feathers? Check it out in *Velociraptor, Gone Forever Series*, by Rupert Matthews. (Beginning Nonfiction, 567.912 Mat)



Did you know that zebras usually sleep standing up? You can't sneak up on a sleeping zebra though, because while some sleep others stand guard. Check it out in the *Zebra, Zoo Animals Series*, by Patricia Whitehouse. (Beginning Nonfiction, 599.665 Whi)

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HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday—Thursday	10 AM–9 PM
Friday	10 AM–6 PM
Saturday	10 AM–5 PM
Sunday	1 PM–5 PM

Visit the Library's web site
<http://www.yorkcounty.gov/library/>

Enjoy story time at home...FREE!
DIAL-A-STORY 890-5111

Tabb Library

100 Long Green Boulevard
Yorktown, VA 23693
(at Hampton Hwy. & Long Green Blvd.)

Library Information	890-5100
Administration	890-5105
Circulation Desk	890-5130
Adult Services Desk	890-5120
Youth Services Desk	890-5110

Yorktown Library

8500 George Washington Mem. Highway
Yorktown, VA 23692
(at US Rt. 17 & Battle Rd.)

Library Information	890-3377
Circulation Desk	890-5209
Adult Services Desk	890-5207
Youth Services Desk	890-3236

The Library will be CLOSED
Wednesday, July 4
for Independence Day